

## REMARKS

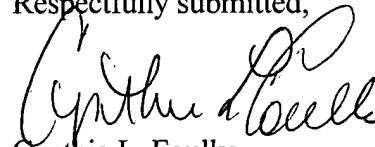
This is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/844,907.

Claims 11-13, 24 and 25 were withdrawn from consideration in the parent application as being directed to non-elected subject matter.

Claims 26 and 27 are newly added. Support may be found on page 6, lines 16-17 of the originally filed parent disclosure. No new matter has been added.

Early and favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cynthia L. Foulke", written over the printed name.

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